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## KANSAS NEWS.

Larned is to have the electric light.  
Anthony has had its first colored wedding.  
Senator Plumb gave \$500 to the Mrs. Logan fund.  
They were 234,000 more sheep in 1886 than in 1885.  
Two million swine eat corn on Kansas land this winter.  
The water works at Dodge City are completed and in use.  
Since Nov. 1, 287,551 pounds of butter have been sold in Kansas.  
Kansas people receive mail from over 2,600 postoffices in the state.  
Comanche county has eleven newspapers. Land office notices do it.  
A Hutchinson firm is making a business of shipping cats to Colorado.  
Wellington will have a free postal delivery on the record made a year ago.  
The Hutchinson News nominates T. T. Taylor for Governor two years hence.  
Winfield has a Loan and Building association with a capital stock of \$3,000,000.  
The people of Johnson county are quite jubilant over their good coal prospect.  
Russell county has voted \$135,000 to the Fort Smith, Kansas & Western railroad.  
The first train over the D. M. & A. ran into Turon on the first day of January.  
The colored churches unite with the others in observing the week of prayer at Salina.  
A colony has been formed at Wichita for going into the central strip for settlement.  
The ice on the river at Ottawa is frozen to a depth sufficient to put up ice for use.  
Topeka feels greatly elated over the completion of the road which connects her with Fort Scott.  
A new Kansas book is the "Early Reminiscences of Pioneer Life in Kansas" by Rev. James S. Shaw.  
General merchants closed their place of business during the obsequies of General Logan.  
Leavenworth has spent about \$750,000 for "current expenses" during the past three years.  
The telegraph wire has been completed to Williamport and will reach Iuka in a few days.  
Over eighty miles of road have been completed on the west end of the D. M. & A. since last July.  
Ice ten inches thick is now being stowed away to be used in the Italian climate of southern Kansas.  
Genda Springs, having two railroads wants another, and already talks of street cars and electric lights.  
The County Koyote is a 33 column folio published at the town of Kearney, in Kearney county, that is to be.  
General Grant Post, No. 1, Department of Kansas, United Veterans' Union, has been organized in Topeka.  
A Southern Kansas paper says: "Why don't the come to southern Kansas to find the nicest climate in America?"  
A Fort Scott paper says: There are about 20,000 bushels of sugar cane seed to be thrashed at the sugar works.  
The Santa Fe will build a double track from Kansas City to Topeka. Work will be commenced early in the spring.  
A Topeka paper is certain that there are more beautiful young ladies in Topeka than any other eighteen cities in Kansas.  
The annual reunion of Normal teachers, graduates and students has been held at Topeka, resulting in a most pleasant affair.  
The Clearwater Leader has suspended, and the material will be taken to Wichita to be used in the publication of an afternoon paper.  
The Topeka Journal says: We find that in Kansas there are 115 railroad companies with an aggregate capital stock of \$600,745,000.  
On the 9th instant Lawrence was visited by a destructive fire, resulting in a loss of more than a quarter of a million of dollars worth of property.  
The Eastern Kansas District Medical society announces that their next regular meeting will be held in the county court house, Lawrence, Jan. 11.  
The report goes that the Kansas supreme court has refused to give Attorney General Bradford any assistance in closing the 200 saloons in Leavenworth.

The Lawrence Tribune says there will be a conference between cities of the second class as to legislation this year.  
Atchison will soon have eight banks in operation, whose capital and deposits will reach some two and a half millions of dollars.  
A syndicate of eastern capitalists visited Sterling, Kas., last week, with a view of erecting a \$200,000 manufacturing establishment.  
The skating craze has struck Emporia again. But this time it is the pure unadorned arctic, and Cottonwood river furnishes the rink facilities.  
The Soldiers' home at Leavenworth now contains eleven hundred ex-volunteer soldiers and by the 1st of April it is thought it will have fifteen hundred.  
The capital stock of railroad companies chartered in Kansas the past year will aggregate nearly \$700,000,000, or over two-thirds of a billion of dollars.  
In 1886 Kansas was a little short in wheat; yet 15,000,000 bushels were gathered. That was a small amount compared with 48,000,000 raised in 1884.  
The annual meeting of the Sheriff's Cooperative association will convene on January 25th, in Topeka. The meeting will be one of great importance.  
Kansas has 572,059 horses for the pleasure and profit of her citizens. They range in value from one dollar and fifty cents up to seven thousand dollars.  
Five miles of road have been completed on the Iuka extension and a force of 149 teams were employed on the grade west until the recent cold snap compelled them to lay over for a few days.  
The Wichita Board of Trade has passed a resolution against the passage of the Logan interstate bill and ordered the same transmitted our Senators by telegraph.  
The Elkhart Republican says: The Kansas bosses of the Associated Press have regulated the news down to such a point that we get nothing from Kansas any more.  
The text book matter is brought to the attention of the legislators by the press of the State. The continual changing of the text books will doubtless be stopped.  
The Standard says: Leavenworth does not need prohibition because there is no honesty in it, but she needs some system that will better regulate and control the saloons.  
Relinquishments in the neighborhood of Iuka are selling at from \$800 to \$1,200 each. The same land next summer will be worth double that amount. — Gazette.  
A Prohibition paper says: The whiskey papers of Kansas might be a little less free with their advice to the Legislature concerning the best method of erasing the liquor traffic.  
The Globe says: Although prohibition ruled Atchison during 1886, there were as many drunks arrested in that year as there were in 1885, as the police court docket will show.  
The Kansas Legislature, by amending the laws relating to usury, would do good service in the interest of thousands who are kept poor by paying such high rates. — Manhattan Republican.  
Building and Loan associations appear to be popular in Kansas, as articles of incorporation for such societies are filed with the secretary of the state at the rate from one to half a dozen per week.  
N. F. Acres, internal revenue collector of the district of Kansas, has collected \$10,000 tax on bogus butter in the State for the month of November. This shows that this industry has grown to considerable importance.  
The Kansas legislature and the Kansas Equal Suffrage association, and the State Bar association all met at the State capital last Tuesday. It was a great day for Topeka. The inauguration services were very imposing.  
The A. T. & S. F. Railroad company want more land at Topeka and have petitioned for condemnation proceedings. The company intend to erect locomotive works at that place and the ground is needed for the shops.  
An effort will be made to get the Legislature to pay the "Topeka constitution scrip," which was issued to pay the expenses of the free state constitutional convention. About \$3,000 of this scrip is held by the citizens of Kansas.  
A Winfield paper says: We have just emerged from the coldest wave ever known here. Sunday, Jan. 2, at 2 o'clock p. m., the mercury stood at 14 above, but at 9 o'clock that evening it was 12 below, falling 26 degrees in seven hours.

Natural gas has been struck at Hassick's farm near Pittsburg, Kansas. A syndicate purchased the property for \$9,000, and pipes will be laid to the city immediately, where the gas will be utilized in six zinc smelters and other heating purposes.  
At Topeka three teachers representing that portion of Kansas lying east of the western boundary of Cloud and north of the south line of Wau-bansee county, met in Representative hall and perfected an organization to be known as the Northeastern Kansas Teachers' association.  
A new proposed road is to run from Kansas City to Wichita via Emporia, from Wichita to Kingman, and from that point to the Southwestern corner of Kansas, thence through New Mexico and to Albuquerque. At a point east of Albuquerque a line will run west to El Paso.  
Prof. Shaw's weather report for December says: "The coldest December since 1878; for, although its minimum temperature has been often surpassed, its average temperature was unusually low. There have been but two colder Decembers in the past nineteen years, (1872 and 1878)."  
The eleventh annual meeting of the Kansas State Historical Society will be held in the hall of the house of representatives at Topeka on Tuesday, January 19th, 1887, for the election of one-third of the members of the board of directors, and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.  
The commissioner of the general land office has notified local land agents in Kansas to advise all parties making applications to enter lands heretofore certified to the State of Kansas for the benefit of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway company, that such applications are wholly useless, as no perfect entry or other right can thus be acquired.  
A Western Kansas journal says: Real estate in Kansas is on a rise in every county in the state. The demand for land is greater in the western than in the eastern counties. There are reasons for this which are generally understood by land buyers. The thousands who will move into Western Kansas during the next four months will tend to keep prices up.  
LARNED, KAN., Jan. 8.—The suit against the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad brought in the district court here by David Clark, ended today in a judgment for Clark for \$62,000 worth of property destroyed by fire and \$15,000 damages for the loss of his wife, who was burned at the same time. The suit of William Sly ended in a judgment for \$55,000 for personal injuries. — Kansas City Times.  
Referring to educational progress in Kansas, one of the speakers at the meeting of the State Teachers' Association, in Topeka, during the holidays, said: In 1863 there were in Kansas 594 teachers. To-day there is over 9,000. In 1863 there in the State 8,500 school children. To-day there are 485,000. In 1863 the State of Kansas spent for educational purposes \$24,000. To-day the schools of Kansas cost the State \$2,213,000.  
Hence now has fifty buildings and twenty-three more contracted for. We predicted last September that the State would have one hundred good, substantial houses before the first of March and at the rate she is building at present it will exceed that number by great odds. If you are coming west and want to get into a live town you will do well to make a note of this. Trains will be running into this town next summer and if strangers wish to view the curiosities at the old ferry summer resort over on the river side they can do so at a slight expense as hacks will make trips every half hour each day during the heated term. — Gazette.  
A letter was written by the Commissioner of the General Land Office a few days ago in relation to lands in western Kansas which have been certified to the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad company. A report has been circulated in western Kansas that the lands now held by the A. T. & S. F. railroad, granted to that company by the government, would soon be subject to entry. As a result there has been a rush to the land office at Garden City and Larned by persons who desired to get a choice piece of government land for a very small price. The registers refused to receive the applications to enter, as the lands are not subject to entry. Some of the applicants then appealed to the United States Land Commissioner, and that brought out the Commissioner's letter which concludes thus: "Therefore, and in order to prevent imposition upon citizens by misleading representations, you are instructed to advise all persons who may apply to enter certified lands that such applications are wholly useless."

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